DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

## OVERCALLS (Style: Responses: $1 / 2$ Level; Reopening)

1 level overcalls can be as weak as $6+\mathrm{HCP}$
2 level overcalls usually 6 card suit or opening values if Vul.

## In response change of suit F1 by non-passed hand

Fit jumps (some jumps SPL) Fit NJ at 3L if passed. Direct raises WK.
Jump cue bid in LHO suit at 3 level below our suit $=$ mixed raise. $(\mathrm{c} 6-9 \mathrm{HCP})$
2N 4+ card INV+ raise after 1M overcall
2N NAT after 1D overcall and after any 2L overcall if RHO pass
1NT OVERCALL ( $\mathbf{2}^{\text {nd }} / 4^{\text {th }}$ Live; Responses; Reopening)
$2^{\text {nd }} 15-18$ (responses as per 1NT opener) 11-14 in protective
(1x)-p-(1Y)-1N 17-20 - then responses as to 1 N opener
In protective seat by passed hand 10-11 balanced
In non-protective seat by passed hand unusual

## JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses ;Unusual NT

WK 4-11 HCP 6+ suit - can be aggressive
Strength will vary as to position and vulnerability.
In response new suit F1 2 N enquiry
Re-opening: c. 10-13 HCP with 6 card suit.
$3 \mathrm{H} / 3 \mathrm{~S}$ over WK 2 strong NF if jump
Jump 2NT 5+/5+ lowest 2 other suits (18-20 BAL in protective )

## DIRECT \& JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen

$1 \mathrm{~m}-2 \mathrm{~m}=5+/ 5+\mathrm{MM}$ In response 2 N R
$1 \mathrm{M}-2 \mathrm{M}=5+/ 5+\mathrm{oM}+\mathrm{m}$. In response $2 \mathrm{~N} R$ Cue BID GF in M 3D INV in M 3C/4C/4D P/C 4 N Bidm 5C/5D NAT
Jump cue asks for stop except 3C/3D over short (2-)
4 C over 1 C and 4 D over 1D/2D strong 4 M bid. 4 H over $1 \mathrm{H} / 2 \mathrm{H}$ strong 4 S bid

## 4S over 1S/2S strong mm

VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening;)
$2 \mathrm{C}=\mathrm{MM} 2 \mathrm{D}=\mathrm{H}$ or S
$2 \mathrm{H}=$ hearts $(5+)+\mathrm{m} 2 \mathrm{~S}=$ spades $(5+)+\mathrm{m} 2 \mathrm{~N}=$ both minors or GF 2 suiter. 3C/3D Intermediate (PRE if NT 15-17 or better) 3H/3S PRE
$X$ PEN ( 5 m and 4 M by passed hand, then $2 \mathrm{C}=\mathrm{P} / \mathrm{C}, 2 \mathrm{D}=$ asks M )
(1N)-2M-(P)-2N=GT asking, $3 \mathrm{C}=\mathrm{P} / \mathrm{C}, 3 \mathrm{D}=$ good M raise
( 1 N ) $-2 \mathrm{C}-(\mathrm{X})-\mathrm{P}=\mathrm{C}, 2 \mathrm{D}=\mathrm{D}, \mathrm{XX}=$ asks longer $\mathrm{M},(1 \mathrm{~N})-2 \mathrm{D}-\mathrm{X}-\mathrm{P}=\mathrm{D}$ VS.PREEMPTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)
Doubles take-out . $2 \mathrm{~N}(17-20) / 3 \mathrm{~N}$ natural.
$4 \mathrm{C} / 4 \mathrm{D}$ over 2 M shows $5+/ 5+\mathrm{m} \mathrm{bid}+\mathrm{oM}$ forcing
3D over 2D 5+/5+ MM 4C over 2D and 4D over 3C $5+/ 5+\mathrm{m}$ bid+ H forcing

## Cue bid over $2 \mathrm{H} / \mathrm{S}$ asks for stop

Cue bid over 3C/3D $5+/ 5+$ MM. Cue over $3 \mathrm{H} / 3 \mathrm{~S} 5+/ 5+$ other $\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{m} \mathrm{GF}$ 4 N over 4 m opening NAT. 4 N over 4 M opening two suited

## VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 1C or 2C

Against strong 1C $\mathrm{X}=$ Hearts. $1 \mathrm{D}=$ spades. $1 \mathrm{H}=$ two suits same colour $1 \mathrm{~S}=$ two suits same rank. $1 \mathrm{~N}=$ two odd suits. $2 \mathrm{~N}=$ minors. Weak Jumps After any of these bids the cheapest NT is a game try
OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE Some TFR responses after 1M opening, 2 N good raise to $3 \mathrm{~L}+$. After 1D/1H/1S single jumps FIT double jumps below game shortage showing .

## SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL \& COMPETITIVE DBL S/RDLS

Support Doubles showing 3 card support after 1x-1M
Some game-try doubles.
Doubles against 3N or slam can ask for unusual lead
RDBL by responder of take-out double of our overcall shows A or K

## LEADS AND SIGNALS

## OPENING LEADS STY

## CATEGORY : GREE

## PAUL DENNING (903314) AND DIANE KURBALIJA (910002)

## WALES

$\square$ Q ,

## \section*{WBF CONVENTION CARD} <br> -



Smith Peter in NT - first signal Hi=Like Lead by leader and partner
Hi Lo in trumps= 3
Lead of a King against NT asks for overtake, unblock or reverse count

## DOUBLES

TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)
Doubles of suit (usually) takeout 4H. Double from 4S values
2 N response Lebensohl if opposition bid at or raise to 2 level

## SYSTEM SUMMARY

## GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE

## 5 Card Majors. 15-17 NT. Prepared C (2+)

2 C GF or $23-24 \mathrm{Bal} \quad 2 \mathrm{D} / \mathrm{H} / 2 \mathrm{~S} \mathrm{WK}\left(\right.$ Int $4^{\text {th }}$ )
2NT 20-22 Bal
3NT gambling
Most 2/1 GF (except 1H-2S)
Opening, Responding and Pre-emptive style optionally aggressive

## SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE

$1 \mathrm{H}-2 \mathrm{~S}$ shows a high card raise to 3 H
$1 \mathrm{~S}-3 \mathrm{H}$ shows a high card raise to 3 S
$1 \mathrm{C}-2 \mathrm{D} / 2 \mathrm{H} / 2 \mathrm{~S} / 2 \mathrm{~N} / 3 \mathrm{D} / 3 \mathrm{H} / 3 \mathrm{~S} / 4 \mathrm{D}$. $1 \mathrm{D}-2 \mathrm{H} / 2 \mathrm{~S}$ are Weak
$1 \mathrm{~m}-2 \mathrm{~m}$ GF $4+$ card raise. $1 \mathrm{~m}-2 \mathrm{~N}$ PRE raise in m . $1 \mathrm{~m}-3 \mathrm{~m}$ good raise in m . 1D-3C NAT INV.
1M-2N Jacoby. 1M-3m NAT INV. 1M-3M 4+ card PRE raises
1X-1Y-1NT-2C/D/N are XYZ RELAYS

Pass 1M-2C = 3+card INV raise. pass 1M-2NT= 4+ card INV raise 2 NT in competition often conventional

Against 2 suited overcalls $5+/ 5+$ Lower Cue $=4^{\text {th }}$ Suit INV + Higher Cue $=$ Raise INV + . Pass then X = PENS
2NT over a strong 2C or 2D opening shows MM or mm
TRF responses if opponents double 1 M
If oppo overcall 1 N with 2C then system on unless 2C is both Majors
If oppo double 1N conventionally then RDBLE strong else system on

SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

| $1 \mathrm{~m}-2 \mathrm{~m}$ GF $4+$ card raise. | 1m-2N PRE raise in m. |
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| $1 \mathrm{~m}-3 \mathrm{~m}$ good raise in m. | 1D-3C NAT INV. |


| OP | ART | CDS | NEG | DESCRIPTION | RESPONSES | SUBSEQUENT ACTION | COMPETITIVE \& PASSED HAND |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1C |  | 2 | 4H | Balanced 11-14 or Balanced 18-19 or 4+C 9-22 HCP Could have 5D in a balanced hand | 1D, 1H, 1S NAT F1 can be light in HCP1NT $4+$ C $5-11$ HCP $2 \mathrm{C} 4+\mathrm{C}$ GF 2D, $2 \mathrm{H}, 2 \mathrm{~S}$ WK <br> 2N PRE C raise 3C good raise 3D/3H/3S/4C/4D WK <br> 4H/S NAT   | $1 \mathrm{X}-1 \mathrm{Y}-1 \mathrm{~N}=11$-14 BAL then $2 \mathrm{C}=(\mathrm{R}) 2 \mathrm{D}$ to play or for invitational hands, $2 \mathrm{D}(\mathrm{R}) \mathrm{GF}, 2 \mathrm{~N}(\mathrm{R}) 3 \mathrm{C}$ $1 \mathrm{X}-1 \mathrm{Y}-2 \mathrm{~N}=18-19$ then 3 C forces 3D, 3D asks M $1 \mathrm{C}-2 \mathrm{C}-2 \mathrm{D}=11-14 \mathrm{BAL}$ $1 \mathrm{C}-2 \mathrm{C}-2 \mathrm{~N}=18-19 \mathrm{BAL}$ | Good Bad 2NT after 1C/D/H/S openers <br> After reverse at 2 level $2 N(R) 3 C$ |
| 1D |  | 4/5 | 4H | 5+D unless (4441) shape 9-22 HCP Opening style can be aggressive | 1H/1S NAT F1 can be light in HCP, 1N 5-11 NF  <br> 2C C GF 2D 4+D GF $2 \mathrm{H} / 2 \mathrm{~S}$ WK 2N PRE with D <br> 3C NAT INV 3D 4+D good raise to 3D 3H/3S/4C SPL <br> 4D PRE 4H/4S NAT $l$   | 1D-2D-2N=11-14 or 18-19 BAL |  |
| 1H |  | 5 | 4H | $\begin{aligned} & 5+\text { card suit } 9-22 \mathrm{HCP} \\ & \text { Opening style can be aggressive } \end{aligned}$ | 1S NAT F1 can be light in HCP 1N 5-11 NF  <br> 2C/D NAT GF 2H 3 cards $8-11$ ish 2 S good 4 card H raise  <br> 2N 4+H GF 3C/D NAT INV 3H 4+H 4-9 HCP <br> 3S any Splinter 3N spade void 4C/D Voids 4S NAT | 1M-1N then transfers $1 \mathrm{M}-2 \mathrm{~N}-3$ new suit shortage, 4 new suit void | Fit Jumps (some SPL) After 1 or 2 level overcall $2 \mathrm{~N} 4+\mathrm{H}$ INV + CUE $=3 \mathrm{H}$ INV + . If passed $2 \mathrm{C}=3+\mathrm{H}$ INV (then 2 H to play) $2 \mathrm{~N}=4+\mathrm{H}$ INV |
| 1S |  | 5 | 4H | $\begin{aligned} & 5+\text { card suit } 9-22 \mathrm{HCP} \\ & \text { Opening style can be aggressive } \end{aligned}$ | 1N 5-11 NF 2C/D/H NAT GF 2S 3 cards 8-11ish <br> 2N 4+S GF 3C/D NAT INV 3H good 4 card S raise <br> 3N any Splinter 4C/4D/4H Voids  |  | Fit Jumps (some SPL) <br> After overcall 2N 4+ S INV+ CUE 3S INV+. If passed 2C $=3+\mathrm{S}$ INV (then 2 S to play) $2 \mathrm{~N}=4+\mathrm{S}$ INV |
| 1N |  |  | 4H | 15-17 Balanced. Can upgrade or downgrade Can have 5 card M or 6 card m . | ```2C Stayman 2D/2H TRF \(2 \mathrm{~S}=\) raise 2 N or BAL ST \(2 \mathrm{~N}=\) one m to play or mm GF \(3 \mathrm{X}=\) single suited slam try \(4 \mathrm{C}=\) Asking Aces \(4 \mathrm{D} / 4 \mathrm{H}=\) TRF``` | $1 \mathrm{~N}-2 \mathrm{C}-2 \mathrm{D}-3 \mathrm{H}=5+/ 5+\mathrm{MM}$ INV <br> $1 \mathrm{~N}-2 \mathrm{C}-2 \mathrm{D}-3 \mathrm{~S}=5+/ 5+\mathrm{MM} \mathrm{ST}$ <br> $1 \mathrm{~N}-2 \mathrm{C}-2 \mathrm{D}-4 \mathrm{H}=5+/ 5+\mathrm{MM}$ pick a Major <br> $1 \mathrm{~N}-2 \mathrm{C}-2 \mathrm{H}-2 \mathrm{~S}=4 \mathrm{~S}$ INV <br> $1 \mathrm{~N}-2 \mathrm{C}-2 \mathrm{M}-3 \mathrm{OM}$ ST in Major bid | After overcall at 2L, 2N TRF 3C either competitive single suited or GF with a stop. 3 N no M no stop. <br> If $1 \mathrm{~N}-(\mathrm{p})-2 \mathrm{X}-(\mathrm{X})$ pass= no stop |
| 2 C | $\checkmark$ | 0 | 7H | GF Artificial or 23-24 Bal. | 2D no suitable positive | $2 \mathrm{C}-2 \mathrm{D}-2 \mathrm{H}$ is hearts or $25+$ BAL ( 2 S asks) No second negatives | $1^{\text {St }}$ DBL by responder $4+$ (pass 0-3) Thereafter DBL PEN Pass F |
| 2D |  | 5 | PEN | $1^{\text {st }}-3^{\text {rd }}$ WK $5+$ Suit 4-10. Can be aggressive. $4^{\text {th }} 10-136$ card suit | 2H/S F1 2N NAT INV 3C F1 3H/S/4C= SPL |  |  |
| 2H |  | 5 | PEN | $1^{\text {st }}-3^{\text {rd }}$ WK 5+ Suit 4-10. Can be aggressive. $4^{\text {th }} 10-136$ card suit | 2N(R) 2S/3C/3D F1 3S/4C/4D SPL | $2 \mathrm{H}-2 \mathrm{~N}-3 \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{D} / \mathrm{S}=\mathrm{SPL}$ |  |
| 2S |  | 5 | PEN | $1^{\text {st }}-3^{\text {rd }}$ WK 5+ Suit 4-10. Can be aggressive $4^{\text {th }} 10-136$ card suit | 2N (R) 3C/D/H F1 4C/4D/4H SPL | 2S-2N-3C/D/H= SPL |  |
| 2NT |  |  | 4H | 20-22 BAL. Can upgrade or downgrade | $3 \mathrm{C}(\mathrm{R})$ asking M $3 \mathrm{D} / 3 \mathrm{H}$ TFR $3 \mathrm{~S}=\mathrm{mm}$ <br> $4 \mathrm{C}=\mathrm{C}$ or D S/T $4 \mathrm{D}=\mathrm{H}$ $4 \mathrm{H}=\mathrm{S}$$\quad 4 \mathrm{~S}=\mathrm{BAL} \mathrm{S} / \mathrm{T}$ | $2 \mathrm{~N}-3 \mathrm{C}-3 \mathrm{D}=$ one or two 4 card M , no puppet <br> 2N-4C-4D asks minor <br> $2 \mathrm{~N}-3 \mathrm{R}-3 \mathrm{M}-4 \mathrm{~N}=\mathrm{INV} . \quad 2 \mathrm{~N}-4 \mathrm{R}-4 \mathrm{M}-4 \mathrm{~N}=\mathrm{RKCB}$ | If $2 \mathrm{~N}-(\mathrm{p})-3 \mathrm{X}-(\mathrm{X})$ pass= no stop |
| 3C |  | 6 | PEN | 0-11 HCP $6+$ suit. Can be aggressive | 3M F1 4D RKCB C 4H/4S/5D Nat |  |  |
| 3D |  | 6 | PEN | $0-11$ HCP $6+$ suit. Can be aggressive | $3 \mathrm{MF1} 4 \mathrm{C}$ any S/T in diamonds $4 \mathrm{H} / 4 \mathrm{~S} / 5 \mathrm{C}$ Nat |  |  |
| 3H |  | 6 | PEN | $0-11$ HCP $6+$ suit. Can be aggressive | $3 \mathrm{SF1} 4 \mathrm{~m}$ cue bid 4S/5C/5D NAT |  |  |
| 3S |  | 6 | PEN | $0-11$ HCP $6+$ suit. Can be aggressive | 4 m cue bid $4 \mathrm{H} / 5 \mathrm{C} / 5 \mathrm{D}$ NAT |  |  |
| 3 N | $\checkmark$ |  | PEN | Gambling | 4C P/C 4D asks for shortage 4N bid slam if suit solid |  |  |
| 4C |  | 6 | PEN | Pre-emptive | 4D S/T in C $4 \mathrm{H} / 4 \mathrm{~S}$ NAT 4N RKCB | SLAM BIDDING <br> 4N RKCB (5C 1 or 4 5D 0 or 35 H 2 or 5 no Trmp Q 5S 2 or 5 Tmp Q $5 \mathrm{~N}+$ void showing. <br> After RKCB $1^{\text {st }}$ step Q ask 5 trumps shows no Q .5 N specific K ask. <br> Many jumps above game exclusion RKCB. 5N mostly pick a slam occasionally GSF DOPI and ROPI |  |
| 4D |  | 6 | PEN | Pre-emptive | 5C S/T in D 4H/4S Nat 4N RKCB |  |  |
| 4H |  | 6 | PEN | Pre-emptive | 5 m 2 losers in suit 4S NAT |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \hline 4 \mathrm{~S} \\ & 4 \mathrm{~N} \\ & 5 \mathrm{~m} \\ & 5 \mathrm{M} \end{aligned}$ | $V$ $V$ | 6 7 | PEN <br> PEN <br> Pen | Pre-emptive <br> Ace Enq <br> Pre-emptive <br> Bid 6 with A or K of M and 7 with both | 5C/5D/5H 2 losers in suit $5 \mathrm{C}=$ None $5 \mathrm{~N}=2$ After intervention pass= none $\mathrm{x}=$ Ace 5 M cue 5 N GSF |  |  |

